

General, by a majority of 18 over Col. Dunnovant, his opponent. There has been two ballottings for Comptroller General, and no choice yet. On 2nd balloting J. B. Cully had 40 votes, T. J. Pickens 33, A. Simpkins 32, W. Giles 25. There were 3 other candidates, each of whom will probably withdraw before the next balloting, and the race will then come off between the three highest candidates.

The committee on Federal Relations reported a bill to the House requiring the Governor to convene the Legislature in the event the Wilmot Proviso passes Congress.

This bill we think entirely unnecessary, in as much as the Governor has already he right to call the Legislature together at his discretion.

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DECEMBER 3d,

The House met at half past nine o'clock and forthwith proceeded to form a procession and march to the College chapel, to witness the exercises of the commencement of the College.

A Bill to reform the criminal code of this State, and for the purpose of establishing a penitentiary.

The Bill is introduced by Mr. Perry, and provides for the location of the Penitentiary in Richland District, and that an appropriation of \$150,000 be made for that purpose, and goes on to enumerate the crimes to be punished by confinement therein. The Bill has not been long enough before the house to elicit any decided opinion for or against it, but there will be nothing done on the subject this session.

Notice was given by Mr. Reed to amend the Charter of the Keowee Turnpike Company.

Col. Thomas, who is the Agent of the Cherokee Indians located in North Carolina, is here, and manifests a deep interest on the subject of opening the road from Pickens C. H. through North Carolina, and Tennessee to Sevierville and to Knoxville, Tennessee. Col. T. informs us that charters have been granted by the Legislature of North Carolina, and a large sum of money appropriated to the opening and building the road through that State. There is not more than 8 miles of the road that would be turnpiked on our side of the mountains, which the Col. thinks can be made on a grade of not more rise than one foot in fifteen; for about six thousand dollars.

The amendments to the charter are very inconsiderable—it is proposed to have the books opened and the road to belong to a company instead of an individual or individuals, so that the people of the country will be permitted to take stock in it if they choose. As this charter may be a private company or may be vested in a company, at the discretion of a few individuals. If the road can be completed successfully, we shall then have an open road through the mountain country from Anderson C. H. by Pendleton and Pickens C. H. to Knoxville Tennessee; and by means of this road, the above places would be greatly benefited by the gravel passing from Kentucky, Tennessee and North Carolina, bringing their produce to our markets.

A notice was posted on the State House door and on the corners of the streets this evening requesting a meeting of both houses of the legislature to night at 7 o'clock. They met in the hall of the house, and organized by calling Angus Patterson to the chair, and Mr. Martin, clerk of the Senate, to act as secretary. Mr. Carew, of the Mercury introduced resolutions on the slavery question, approving of the resolutions of the Mississippi convention on that subject, and proposing to appoint four delegates to represent the State in a Southern Convention, to be held at Knoxville in June next. Daniel E. Huger, from the committee on Federal Relations opposed the first part of the resolutions as proposed by Col. Carew. Mr. Keitt then made some vehement remarks in support of the resolutions. Mr. Memminger made a few remarks, and moved to refer the whole matter to the committees of the two houses on Federal Relations, which was unanimously adopted, and the meeting adjourned at an early hour, and in good order.

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At a wedding in Albany recently, the bride's cake excited general admiration. It cost \$100, and was a beautiful temple, nine feet high, of the Grecian and Italian style of architecture.

(Correspondence of the Keowee Courier.)
DOTTINGS BY THE WAY-SIDE.

Having left your Village for Columbia by way of Hamburg, Branchville, &c., I propose to entertain your readers with a few brief general remarks pertaining to such facts as come within my observation en route.

On reaching Pickensville I found a respectable number of the Sons of Temperance assembled for the purpose of organizing a Division at that place, in which, I am informed, they were completely successful. We wish the Division great prosperity there. Old Pickensville is evidently on rising ground, and we sincerely hope her course will still be onward and upward in the scale of intellect, morals and religion. Her citizens are social intelligent and energetic, and surely there can be no good cause for her retrograde.

Thence to Hamburg the roads were in fine order, which together with the pleasant and social good humor of my travelling companion, W., rendered the journey altogether a very pleasant one.

In Abbeville District we travelled a considerable distance along side of the Railroad, and were agreeably surprised to see nearly the whole of it already graded and ready for the timber and iron; and I am told that the whole of the road from Anderson C. H. to the Newberry line, except a few miles, is entirely graded, so that in a short time we shall realize that which, not long since, appeared a mere phantom, viz: the passage of a steam engine from Columbia to Anderson and Greenville C. H.

The weather has been much milder during the fall, in these lower Districts, than in Pickens and Anderson. In the Southern part of Abbeville, vegetation has not been injured by severe frosts, the cotton leaves and potato vines are still green, and farmers anticipate a more abundant yield from their cotton crops, by reason of the favorable fall. We passed several droves of hogs on the way—they are asking 4 cents per lb. gross, but the buyers are not disposed to give it. The knowing ones say that pork will be lower this winter than usual, owing to this greater number of hogs coming from Kentucky and Tennessee to our markets. And furthermore that drovers of are almost entirely dependent upon our markets for the sale of their pork.

We took passage on the railroad from Hamburg to Branchville at 5 o'clock A. M., and had the company of several members of Congress, on their way to Washington, among whom was Mr. Calhoun. The old patriot is perceptibly wearing away in the service of his country; his hand feels dry and bony, his face wrinkled and rough, but the fire of his eye is still sparkling, and exhibits a towering intellect.

At Branchville the passengers are compelled to wait 4 or 5 hours for the train to Columbia, and a most tedious, tiresome and uninteresting place it is.—The principle population consists of an avaricious landlord and half a dozen impertinent servants, both of which are well calculated to wear away patience and destroy pleasure. However the fare is very good, and but for that, the delay would be intolerable.

The cars were crowded with the Charleston members, and persons returning from the Fair. Every body seems delighted with the Fair, and it bids fair to be of great service to the mechanical world.

To-morrow the Session of the Legislature commences, and from what I have been able to gather from the wise ones here, quite a stormy session is anticipated. I suppose the absorbing topics will be the Bank question, the Slavery question, and perhaps the Penitentiary question. But more of these things anon,

Yours, N.

FURTHER BY THE CALEDONIA.

SIR JOHN FRANKLIN'S EXPEDITION.—Sir John Ross has returned from the Arctic seas, where he has been engaged in a search for Sir John Franklin and his crews.

It is given as his confident opinion that neither Sir John Franklin nor any of his brave companions are eastward of any navigable point in the Arctic regions, and if there be any chance of their existence, it is the supposition that he proceeded in a westerly direction, and in such case we can only expect to hear from the missing adventurers by the Mackenzie detachment, on her Majesty's ship Plover, Commander Moore, by way of Russia.

Sir James traversed at least 230 miles on the ice, the bergs of which were frightful, much more so than any of the experienced Arctic voyagers had seen before. Sir James and his party penetrated as far as the wreck of the Fury, where he found the old tent standing, and everything about it in a state of the best preservation. At this point Sir James deposited a large quantity of provisions, and also the screw-launch of the Enterprise. The march of Sir James across the boundless regions of ice is truly stated as a most unparalleled feat of exploration. We are sorry to find however, that it was in no way successful.

According to the Hants Telegraph, the first business of Sir H. Bulwer, Envoy to the United States, on his arrival, is "to know what encouragement, if any, the United States give to the attempted withdrawal of the Canadas from British rule. It is understood that he has full powers to resist energetically all attempts at interference on the part of the United States in Nicaragua affairs."

It is said that government has intimated to the Governor of Canada that no coercive measures will be adopted to prevent annexation to the United States, if the popular will be decidedly expressed in favor of that measure.

HAMBURG MARKETS.

(REPORTED FOR THE KEOWEE COURIER.)

HAMBURG, Dec. 5

Our cotton market continues active, sales made at 9 to 10 1-2 cents; there appears to be more confidence among dealers that the present crop will not exceed 2,200,000. Should this be the fact, present prices may be maintained, and perhaps a further advance may be realized.

Coffee is very scarce, worth 11 cents. No change to notice in any other articles.

Sugar	7 to 10c
Molasses	28 to 37 1/2c
Salt	\$1.50 per sack.
Iron, Swede	4 1/2 to 5c.
Corn & meal	50 to 62 1/2c
Bacon	6 1/2 to 7c
Flour	\$6.50
Tallow	9 to 10c
Beeswax	16c

MARRIED.

On Thursday the 29th ult., by O. E. Barton Esq., Mr. Alfred McCrary of N. C. to Miss Rebecca Reaves of this District.

ORDINARY'S SALE.

By order of W. D. Steele, Esq., Ordinary for Pickens District, will be sold on Sale Day in January next before the Sheriff's Office, within the legal hours; a tract of Land belonging to the Estate of Thomas Bryce, dec'd., containing

230 ACRES,

Lying on Coneross Creek, adjoining lands belonging to the Estate of Col. J. C. Kilpatrick, and others. Sold for partition amongst the Heirs of said deceased.

TERMS OF SALE.

Sold upon a credit of one and two years, except the cost, which will be required in advance, purchasers giving bond with approved Security, and a mortgage upon the premises if required by the Ordinary, to secure payment of the purchase money.

J. A. DOYLE, S. R. D.
Dec. 8, 1849. 30 ty.

ADMINISTRATORS' SALE.

Will be sold at the late residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Stribling, deceased, on Thursday the 20th inst., all the personal property of said Deceased, consisting of 17 Negroes, young and likely. Corn, Fodder, Oats, Wheat, Horses, Cattle, Hogs, (about 20 fat.) 15000 pounds seed Cotton; Wagon, Ox-cart, Smith's Tools, Plantation Tools; Household and Kitchen furniture, and sundry other articles;—on a credit of 12 months.

Also, the Plantation belonging to the Estate of Mrs. E. Stribling will be rented on day of sale, for the year 1850.

T. M. STRIBLING
M. S. STRIBLING
Dec. 3 '49 2 ins Adm'rs.

CITATION.

Mason Burdine and William Hunt, having applied to me for Letters of Administration on the Estate of Henson Hunt, late of Pickens District deceased. The Kindred and Creditors are cited to appear before me on the 14th December, to show cause if any they can, why said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand and seal 30th day of November, 1849.

W. D. STEELE, O. R. D.
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Notice to Distributees.

The Heirs of Elizabeth Henderson, deceased, are hereby required to appear in the Court of Ordinary on the third Monday in January next, for a final settlement of said Estate.

Each Distributee will be required to render on oath a schedule of their advancements. Demands against said Estate must be presented before that time, or they will be barred by the settlement.

JOHN BOWEN, Admr.
Nov. 10, 1849, 26

EXECUTORS' SALE.

Will be sold at the late residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Caradine, dec'd., on Tuesday the 11th December next. Four head of Horses, 1 yoke Oxen and Cart, 1 two Horse Wagon and gear, 20 or 30 head of Cattle, 25 head Stock Hogs, 15 head of fattening Hogs, 1 Dutch Fan, Household and Kitchen Furniture, Plantation tools, &c. &c. Sold by order of the Court of Ordinary under the Will of Thomas Caradine, dec'd.

Terms:—Cash will be required for all sums under three dollars, of and above that amount, a credit of twelve months will be given, and note and good security required.

MILES M. NORTON, Att'y.
For WM. G. CARADINE, Exec'r.
P. S. The Plantation of the late Thos. Caradine will be rented on the same day, and several negroes hired.
November 19, 1849.

NEW GOODS!

I take this method of informing my friends and the public generally, that I have just received a large and well selected stock of

Fall and Winter Goods, fresh from New York, of the latest styles; consist in part of the following named articles: Broad Cloths, Sattinets, Vest patterns, Over-Coots, Fancy Prints, Alpaccas, plain and silk striped; Homespuns, bleached and brown; Ginghams, white checked Muslin, Jaconet and Printed do., Flannel, Apron Checks, &c., &c.

Bonnets, Hats and Caps, of almost every shape and style; Groceries, Hardware, Crockery-ware, Shoes, Saddles, Bridles, Medicines, &c., all of which I will sell low for cash or good names; and I flatter myself that my friends who have patronized me so liberally in Hamburg, will extend their patronage here likewise. I hope, at least, that they will call and examine my stock of Goods before trading elsewhere.

Any amount of Beeswax, Tallow and Seed-Cotton will be taken in payment for Goods.

J. J. HOWARD.
Holly Hill, Pickens Dist., Nov. 21, 1849.
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FAIR WARNING!

ALL persons indebted to the undersigned either by Note or book account are earnest entreated to make payment between now and January next, (1850), as I am closing up my business in Hamburg. After this notice, and payments not made within the time mentioned above, I hope those indebted to me will not think it unfair if they find their notes and accounts in hands of proper officers for collection.

J. J. HOWARD.
P. S.—Should I be absent at any time, my Books and Notes will be left in the hands of Messrs. Brindley, Rosamond & Smith, to whom payment may be made.

J. J. H.
Hamburg, Nov. 17, 1849. 26-1m

NOTICE.

All Persons having demands against the Estate of Sheriff Haynes, deceased, will hand them in legally attested. Those indebted must make payment.

W. D. STEELE,
No. 17th Ordinary & Adm'r.
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Just Received!

A large and well selected assortment of **Books and Stationary**, consisting of Histories, Family and Pocket Bibles, School and other Books.

—ALSO—

A Lot of Iron, Nails, Castings, &c., &c. at the Store of

BENSON & TAYLOR.
Pickens C. H., July 7, 1849.

THE OCONEE STATION FOR SALE.

This place, situated in Pickens District, on the Oconee Creek, 12 miles North of Pickens C. H., and immediately on the road leading from the latter place to Clayton, Ga., contains 1000 Acres of fertile Land, which will be disposed of on terms the most advantageous to the purchaser.

As a grain and stock farm, the Oconee possesses many peculiar advantages; its fields producing abundant crops of Corn, Wheat, Rye, Oats, and Potatoes, while the hills for miles around are covered during 9 months of the year with coats of the richest grasses.

On the premises there are all the necessary buildings for a well regulated Farm, including a two-story Brick Dwelling.

The narrative of this Station forming as it does, an important chapter in the early history of our State, is well known to every Carolinian, and it is equally celebrated for the purity of its atmosphere, the exuberance of its soil, and for the beauty and romantic wildness of its Scenery.

Persons wishing further particulars will please communicate with

J. A. DOYLE.

Pickens C. H., S. C.
The South Carolinian, Pendleton Messenger, and Laurensville Herald will please give the above three insertions and forward their accounts to this office.

ADMINISTRATORS' SALE.

Will be sold at the late residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Caradine, deceased, on Tuesday the 11th December next, all the personal property of said deceased, consisting of a quantity of Seed Cotton, Corn, Oats, &c. &c., on a credit of 12 months with note and good security for all sums of and above three dollars—under that amount cash.

J. B. E. CARADINE, Adm'r
By M. M. NORTON, Agt.
Nov. 19, 1849.

JAMES GEORGE, Merchant Tailor,

Would respectfully inform his friends and the public generally, that he has on hand a FINE VARIETY of BROAD CLOTHS, CASIMERES, SATINETS, TWEEDS, KENTUCKY JEANS, &c. ALSO

AN ASSORTMENT OF READY-MADE CLOTHING

which he will sell cheap for Cash.

The public are invited to call and examine his Stock, before purchasing elsewhere.

Pickens C. H. May 25, 1849.

MONEY!

ALL Persons having demands against the Estate of Maj. Hamilton deceased will present them to me duly attested. Those indebted to the Estate will do well to call and pay up.

A. M. HAMILTON, Admr.
Nov. 10, 1849. 26

Notice.

Application will be made at the next Session of the Legislature, for a Charter for a Turn-pike Road from Pickens C. H. through Jocassee Valley to the White Water Falls.

September 1, 1849.

NOTICE.

I, Nancy Cantrell, wife of John Cantrell, a farmer residing in Pickens District, So. C., do hereby give notice of my intention to trade as a Sole-Trader, and to exercise all the privileges of a Free-Dealer after the expiration of one month from this notice.

Occupation, Weaver and Seamstress,
August 25, 1849. 15-1m

JUST RECEIVED!

A Fresh Lot of Gent's Boots and Shoes Boys do., Ladies and Misses Slippers and Ties; Gent's and Ladies' Saddles, Bridles, Whips, &c., &c.

Iron, Castings and Nails, cheap for cash.

Together with a full supply of Dr. D. Jaynes' Family Medicines; Dr. Rogers' Compound Syrup of Liverwort and Tar; Jew David's Hebrew Plaster or Pain Killer, &c., &c.,

As an inducement to the buyer the subscriber will take in exchange for Goods, Beeswax, Tallow, Raw Hides, &c.

S. R. McFALL.

Pickens C. H., July 14, 1849. 9

[H. L. JEFFERS,] [W. S. COTHRAN]

[E. J. BUCKMASTER.]

WAREHOUSE

AND

Commission Merchants.

Market-Street, HAMBURG, S. C.—WATER-ROOF

McIntosh-Street, AUGUSTA, GA.—FIRE-ROOF.

Take this method of informing their friends and the public generally, that they still continue the WAREHOUSE and Commission business in this place and Augusta, Ga., where they offer their services to RECEIVE, STORE OR SELL COTTON, FLOUR, BACON, &c., RECEIVE AND FORWARD MERCHANDISE, BUY GOODS, FOR PLANTERS OR MERCHANTS.

Their Warehouse in Augusta is on McIntosh-street, in the centre of the Cotton trade.

Their Warehouse in this place is safe from water and isolated, therefore not exposed to fire.

As they will be constantly at their post, promoting the interest of their friends (which they are aware will add to their own.) They solicit and hope to merit and receive a full share of that liberal patronage heretofore bestowed, and for which they now return thanks.

Liberal cash advances will be made, when required, on any produce in store.

JEFFERS, COTHRAN & Co.

Hamburg, Sept. 1st, 1849. 18

CHEAP GOODS.

Cheap as the Cheapest! The subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he is receiving at short intervals a

HANDSOME SELECTION OF

Dry Goods.

GROCERIES,

Hardware & Cutlery,

CROCKERY AND GLASS WARE

Drugs and Medicines,

&c. &c. &c.

All selected expressly for this market and will be sold positively as cheap as the cheapest for cash.

S. R. McFALL.

Pickens C. H., S. C.)

May 18, 1849. 1 4

JOB PRINTING,

EXECUTED WITH NEATNESS AND DESPATCH AT THIS OFFICE